REMARKS

Rejection Under 35 USC 102

Claims 1, 3, 6, 9, 11 and 14 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Grandjot (U.S. 2,663,377). In response to the cited prior art, Applicant has amended pending independent claims to specify that the control panel includes a plurality of rotating control knobs on rotating spindles. The independent claims have been further amended to recite the limitation that the template is cut to fit over the control knobs or rotating spindles

Rejection Under 35 USC 103

Claims 2, 4-8, 10 and 12-16 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Grandjot in view of Fogel et al. (U.S. 4,011,671). For the reasons stated above in connection with the 102 rejection, Applicant submits that this objection has been obviated.

Summary

In light of the above amendment, consideration of the subject patent application is respectfully requested. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 500282.

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